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# Inspection Report

BELLWETHER FARM, INC.

Customer ID: 42768

Certificate: 16-R-0050

Site: 001 (b)(2)High, (b)(7)f

66 PROSPECT STREET

EAST WOODSTOCK, CT 06244

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: Aug-25-2008

There were no non-compliant items identified during the inspection. Registrant was in compliance with AWA Regulations and Standards at the time of the inspection.

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#### ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE.

2.33 (b) (2) - "Each research facility shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include:
(2) The use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries."

 Sow #1-3 was noted to have long hooves on both front feet. The toes on the front feet were spreading apart and the tip of the hoof of each of the toes were starting to curve in towards each other.

Regular trimming of hooves is important to prevent overgrowth and ensure animal comfort. Facility needs to address the condition of the Sow's hooves. Correct by 7/18/08.

2. Sow #1-3 was noted by the APHIS inspector to be lame in the left front leg at the time of the inspection. The Sow was limping, not bearing full weight on the leg, and there was a deep horizontal crack noted in the lateral aspect of the hoof of the lateral toe approximately 2 inches from the coronary band. The lameness condition observed in the Sow had not been recognized by facility personnel.

A research facility must provide adequate veterinary care to the animals at the facility so that any problems with animal health can be appropriately addressed. Facility needs to address the lameness noted in this Sow. Correct by 7/18/08.

3. Gilt #1-3 was noted by the APHIS inspector to be dragging her hind end and having difficulty getting up from a sitting position. The Gilt walked around the pen once she was able to stand. Personnel stated that this behavior had been observed in the Gilt in the past. There was no documentation available for review that the condition had been assessed and was being appropriately addressed by the facility.

A research facility must provide adequate veterinary care to the animals at the facility so that any problems with animal health can be appropriately addressed. Facility needs to address the condition noted in this Gilt. Correct by 7/18/08.

Review of the daily logs in the

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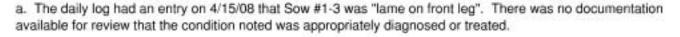
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b. The daily log had an entry on 7/11/08 that Sow #1-3 was "not eating" and the vas contacted. According to correspondence, the instructed personnel to administer a laxative and antacid to the Sow and to contact the designated veterinarian. There was no documentation available for review that the medications were administered to the Sow or that the veterinarian was consulted.

A research facility should maintain a program of veterinary care that includes the use of appropriate methods to diagnose and treat animal health issues. The facility needs to address these items to provide for the health and well being of the animals. Correct by 7/18/08.

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